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For: SOUND SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CAPTURING AND REPRODUCING  
SOUNDS ORIGINATING FROM A PLUARLITY OF SOUND SOURCES

RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 20

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment/Response is being filed on January 27, 2000, in response to the Office Action dated October 25, 1999, in the above-referenced application. The response is considered timely filed since *January 25, 2000* and *January 26, 2000*, were declared Federal holidays due to inclement weather. Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 35-55.

--35. A sound system for capturing and reproducing sounds produced by a plurality of sound sources, comprising:

means for separately receiving sounds produced by a plurality of sound sources,  
each sound source having separate sonic characteristics;

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